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for discussion? There are no members wishing to speak, Senator Raikes. He waives closing. The question before the body is advancement of LB 1107 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is advancement of LB 1107. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 1107 does advance. We now move on to LB 1149. When you get time, Mr. Clerk, read the bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1149 was offered by Senator Baker. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 20, referred to the Natural Resources Committee. That committee reports the bill to General File with no committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, to open on LB 1149.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I'll be short. I think you, from our information back here, you haven't been out of that chair all day, so I imagine you're getting a little tired up there. So I won't drag this on too long. This bill authorizes Game and Parks Commission to allow a nonresident Nebraska landowner who owns 320 acres or more of land in the state of Nebraska to obtain a spring wild turkey permit, a landowner's wild turkey permit half price from the nonresident permit, so they're still going to generate quite a bit of money here. You recall we did that with deer a couple of years ago and we've just nibbled away at the apple and now it's wild turkeys in the spring. There is one other change in there. We do have an amendment to strike the section, and I'll talk about that in a minute. One other change adds elk to road kill; deer, antelope and now elk. We are getting more of an elk population in the state of Nebraska and we had an elk hit, I guess, and a lot of meat on an elk and they couldn't salvage. The person who did it, demolished the front end of his car, couldn't salvage the elk. It's add the term "elk" into salvageable wildlife kills in addition to deer and antelope. That's what the bill